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- (b) what amount is spent by each of them ;
- (c) whether any local bodies give any grants to libraries ;
- (d) if so, which of them ; and
- (e) what the amount is ?

4.—(a) & (b) Information has been called for.

- (c), (d) & (e) Local bodies make contribution to libraries under other management with the sanction of Government. Such contributions are sanctioned only from year to year on the application of local bodies.

Municipal Councils

Nomination to the Tenali Municipality.

* 1652 Q.—Mr. P. ANJANEYULU : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

- (a) for how long a nominated seat in the Municipal Council, Tenali, has been vacant ;
- (b) the reasons for not filling it up till now ;
- (c) whether Christians and Adi-Andhras have made any, and if so, what representations for having the nomination given to one of their community ; and
- (d) when the Government intend publishing the nomination and whether they will nominate an Adi-Andhra ?

A.—(a) & (d) 26th October 1928 to 19th February 1929. The appointment of the Rev. V. McCauley, D.D., was notified on 19th February 1929.

- (b) There was no delay in the matter other than that inseparable from the formalities to be observed in making the above appointment.
- (c) One Indian Christian (depressed classes) and another depressed class candidate applied for the appointment.

Mr. D. NARAYANA RAJU :—“ May I know why no Adi-Andhra was nominated to the vacant seat ? ”

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—“ There is an Adi-Andhra.”

Religious and Charitable Endowments

Amending Bill to the Hindu Religious Endowments Act.

* 1653 Q.—Mr. C. N. MUTHURANGA MUDALIYAR : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

- (a) whether it is a fact that a draft Bill to amend the Hindu Religious Endowments Act has been prepared by the Government ;
- (b) the reasons for the delay in introducing the Bill to amend the Hindu Religious Endowments Act ; and
- (c) when the Government propose to introduce the Bill ?

A.—(a) & (b) No Bill has been prepared by the Government but a draft Bill submitted by the Hindu Religious Endowments Board is under scrutiny.

- (c) It is not possible to announce a definite date ; but the Bill will be introduced as early as practicable.